

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Replace the claims with the following rewritten listing:

1. (Previously Presented) Device for securing a line, said device comprising

- a line retaining part and a base part,
- said line retaining part comprising at least one groove for accommodating the line, said groove being open and configured to receive the line via a longitudinal opening defined by said retaining part, said base part comprising fixing means,

wherein said line retaining part and said base part are provided with complementary locking means for providing a connection between said line retaining part and said base part, and

wherein said at least one groove is designed with flexible retaining means for retaining the line;

wherein the flexible retaining means for retaining the line comprises a plurality of flexible parts protruding into the groove, and

wherein said longitudinal opening is configured to remain open while the line is releasably retained in said groove.

2. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said protruding flexible parts are placed essentially lateral of the groove.

3. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 2, wherein said protruding flexible parts are designed as blades that protrude into the groove.

4. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 3, wherein said protruding flexible blades are located at an angle in relation to an axis of the groove.

5. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 4, wherein said angle of the flexible blades in relation to the axis of the groove is in an interval of  $10^{\circ} - 80^{\circ}$ .
6. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said flexible retaining means are placed only at one side of the groove.
7. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said flexible retaining means, are placed at both sides of the groove.
8. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said line retaining part comprises only one groove for accommodating a line.
9. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said line retaining part comprises at least two grooves for accommodating a line each, said grooves preferably being placed essentially in parallel.
10. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said line retaining part is made of a polymeric material.
11. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said complementary locking means of said line retaining part and said base part comprises snap locking means.
12. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 11, wherein said snap locking means comprises a tap placed on said base part and a cavity in the line retaining part or vice versa.
13. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 12, wherein said tap comprises a protruding annular part and said cavity comprises a complementary annular groove or vice versa.
14. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 11, wherein said complementary locking

means of said line retaining part and said base part are designed as a swivel joint, allowing the line retaining part to be adjusted in relation to said base part.

15. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 14, wherein said line retaining part and said base part are designed with limit stops for said swivel joint, allowing the line retaining part to be adjusted within a limited angular range in relation to said base part.

16. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 14, wherein said line retaining part and said base part are designed with interacting means, a toothed ring, cogging or similar means, that allows a relative movement and facilitate a parking of the line retaining part at certain angles in relation to said base part.

17. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said fixing means of said base part comprises two opposing jaw parts that are forced together by spring means.

18. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 17, wherein said spring means comprises a flexible connecting part between the two jaw parts.

19. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 17, wherein said spring means comprises a flexible spring part connected to one of the two jaw parts and acting on the other jaw part.

20. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 17, wherein said fixing means of said base part comprises a hinge means comprising hinge parts on both jaw parts.

21. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 20, wherein said hinge parts on the jaw parts are designed as a hook element formed on one of the jaws and a corresponding opening formed on the other jaw.

22. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 17, wherein said base part is formed as a flexible elongated part, ends of which form the jaw parts and an intermediate part forming a flexible

part.

23. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 22, wherein said base part is made of a polymeric material.

24. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said fixing means of said base part comprises spring-loaded or flexible means that may be clipped onto structural parts.

25. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said fixing means of said base part comprises adhesive means that may be applied onto structural parts or other articles.

26. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said fixing means of said base part comprises mechanical means for securing the base part to an item at, on or near a patient.

27. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said line retaining part comprises connection means on a side part for mechanically connecting said retaining part to a further retaining part.

28. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 27, wherein said connection means comprises first connection means on a first side part and second connection means on a second side part, said first and second connection means being complementary.

29. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 28, wherein said first and second connection means are designed as dovetail joints.

30. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 27, wherein said line retaining part comprises a side part that is designed in order to form a part of said complementary locking means when said line retaining part is connected with a similar or identical line retaining part.

31. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 1, wherein said line retaining part

comprises further means for withholding a line in said groove.

32. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 31, wherein said further means for withholding a line in said groove comprises a lid part, said lid part being connected to the line retaining part by a hinge.

33-38. (Cancelled)